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SUBJECT: CYPRUS INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS

1. CYPRUS INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS WHICH WERE TO HAVE BEGUN IN NEW YORK SEPTEMBER 8 HAVE BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 9. MEANWHILE, INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS BY DENKTASH AND CLERIDES WITH UN SYG WLADHEIM WILL CONTINUE AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 8 AND AT INFORMAL DINNER IN EVENING.

2. TURKISH CYPRIOT "FOREIGN MINISTER" VEDAT CLEIK TOLD EUR/SE DIRECTOR EAGLETON THAT DURING MEETING WITH WALDHEIM MORNING SEPTEMBER 8 DENKTASH STATED FRANKLY THAT TURKISH SIDE WAS NOT YET ABLE TO DISCUSS TERRITORIAL ISSUES, AND WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO DO SO UNTIL AFTER TURKISH SENATORIAL ELECTIONS OCTOBER 12. DENKTASH AND WALDHEIM AGREED THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO KEEP INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS GOING AND WALDHEIM AGREED TO TRY TO OBTAIN CLERIDES AGREEMENT TO DISCUSS SUBJECT OTHER THAN TERRITORY DURING CURRENT MEETINGS TO KEEP CYPRUS ISSUE OF UNGA, AND TO ANNOUNCE IN
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FINAL COMMUNIQUE THAT FURTHER TALKS ON ALL SUBJECTS WOULD

BE HELD ON A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE DATE AFTER OCTOBER 12.

3. WHEN EAGLETON WAS IN CELIK'S OFFICE WALDHEIM PHONED CELIK TO REPORT THAT CLERIDES HAD NOT AGREED TO DENKTASH'S PORPOSAL. WALDHEIM WAS THEREFORE DELAYING FORMAL OPENING OF TALKS IN ORDER TO TRY AGAIN TO OBTAIN CLERIDES AGREEMENT ON A PROCEDURE THAT WOULD KEEP THE TALKS GOING.

4. CLERIDES TOLD EAGLETON EVENING SEPTEMBER 7 THAT HE WAS PESSIMISTIC RE OUTCOME OF TALKS. HE SAID HE WOULD NOT AGREE TO KEEP CYPRUS ISSUE OUT OF UNGA IF TURKS DELAYED FURTHER ON DISCUSSION OF TERRITORY. AT SAME TIME IT WAS CLEAR THAT CLERIDES DOES NOT WANT INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS TO BREAK DOWN, SO THERE MAY YET BE AN ACCPETABLE FORMULA TO DELAY DISCUSSION OF TERRITORY UNITL AFTER OCTOBER 12.

5. CELIK HAS MENTIONED POSSIBILITY OF REACHING AGREEMENT ON OPENING NICOSIA AIRPORT TO CIVILIAN TRAFFIC DURING CURRENT TALKS. TURKISH SIDE WANTS TO KEEP VIENNA FORUM ALIVE AND ACHIEVE POSITIVE ATMOSPHERE IN CURRENT TALKS AS A SUPPORT TO EFFORTS IN CONGRESS TO LIFT TURKISH ARMS EMBARGO. CLERIDES IS AWARE OF HIS LEVERAGE IN THIS RESPECT AND CAN BE EXPECTED TO RESIST GIVING CURRENT TALKS A POSITIVE GLOSS UNLESS TURKISH SIDE MAKES IT WORTH- WHILE FOR HIM TO DO SO.
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